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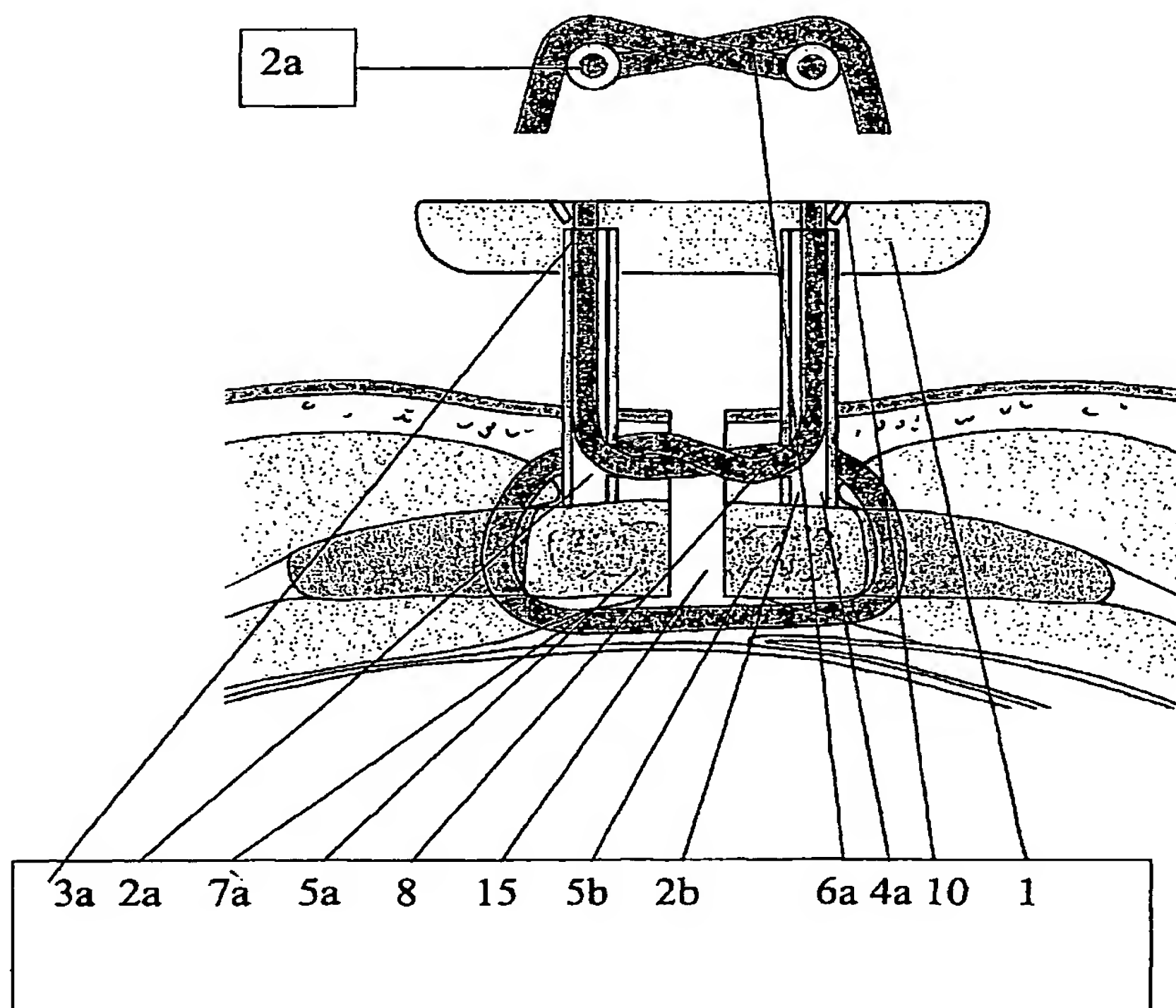
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- (54) Title: EXTERNAL FIXATOR FOR OSTEOSYNTHESIS OR BONE GAP MANIPULATION**



**(57) Abstract:** The invention relates to an external fixator which has a retaining member (1) and connecting elements (2) which can be connected without screws to a bone or bone parts (5), in particular to both halves of an opened sternum, and provide possibilities for increasing or reducing the compressive stress between the two bone parts or sternum halves.



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